

# Campgrounds



Welcome to the Blue Ridge Parkway, one of the most scenic drives in America. Winding its way through some of the oldest and most most captivating mountains in the world, the Parkway provides access to a wide range of natural and cultural resources. Many visitors come to the area to hike, fish, or photograph waterfalls. Others go hunting for local crafts, old-time fiddling, and home-cooked meals. Whatever your aim, we hope you have a rewarding and memorable visit.

The campground areas along the Parkway offer many facilities and activities, including scheduled seasonal activities for adults and children, campsites equipped with fireplace and table, and self-guiding hiking trails. The following rules and regulations are designed to help make your stay as pleasant and safe as possible. Please take the regulations to heart. They are intended to help maintain and preserve the magnificent natural and cultural features of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

	Milepost	Tent Sites	RV/Trailer Sites	Picnic Sites	Acreage	Elevation (ft.)	Camping Supplies	Telephone	Self-Guiding Trail	Hiking Trail	Fishing	Visitor Center	Ranger Programs	Sanitary Dump Station
VIRGINIA														
Otter Creek 🚨	60.9	45	24		552	800		1	1	1	✓	✓	✓	🗸
Peaks Of Otter 🚨	86.0	82	50	62	5322	2565	1	1	1	1	1	✓	✓	🗸
Roanoke Mountain	120.4	74	30	—	1142	1500		1		✓			✓	<b> </b>
Rocky Knob	167.1	81	28	72	4200	3100		1	✓	✓	1	1	✓	✓
NORTH CAROLINA														
Doughton Park	239.0	110	25	56	6430	3600	1	1		✓	1		✓	<b>✓</b>
Julian Price	297.0	129	68	100	3900	3400		1		✓	1		✓	1
Linville Falls 🚨	316.3	50	20	100	996	3000		1	✓	✓	✓	1	✓	<b>✓</b>
Crabtree Meadows 6	339.5	71	22	82	253	3750		1		✓			✓	<b>/</b>
Mt. Pisgah 🚨	408.6	70	70	50	690	5000	1	✓		✓			✓	<b>/</b>

## General Information

Season Length: All Blue Ridge Parkway campgrounds are open approximately May 1 through October 31. Winter camping is occasionally available, weather permitting. Inquire in advance. During the winter fees are reduced and services are limited. Only chemical toilets and frost free faucets are provided.

Camping Limit: Camping is limited to a total of 21 days in any one campground between May 1 and October 31.

#### Daily Campground Fee:

The charge per night for each campground site is \$14.00. (Fee amount is subject to change. Inquire at campground entrance station for current fee.) The daily permit is valid only at the campground where purchased. Golden Age Passports, which may be purchased by persons 62 or

older, and Golden Access Passports,

free to persons who are permanently disabled, entitle holders to a 50% discount on campground fees. Passports can be obtained at campgrounds.

Checkout Time is 12 noon.

Handicap Access: Each campground with symbol has at least one wheelchair usable site.

RVs and Trailers: Parkway campgrounds have sites that will accommodate trailers of varying lengths, although larger sites are fewer and usually fill up quickly. Dump stations are available at all campgrounds; no water or electrical hookups are available.

Camping Ethics: Campsites are available on a "first come, first served" basis, with the following exceptions: Selected sites at Linville Falls and Julian Price may be reserved online at reserveusa.com or by calling 1-877-444-6777. In fairness to all campers, please pay only for sites that you occupy each day. For security's sake, don't leave your site or your possessions unattended for extended periods of time. Please report all lost and found articles to a Ranger.

Back-Country Camping: Limited back-country camping is available at Basin Cove in Doughton Park (336-372-8568), Rock Castle Gorge at Rocky Knob (540-745-9661), and Julian Price Park (828-963-5911). Permits must be requested in advance. Check with a Park Ranger to learn about access to neighboring U.S. Forest Service back-country areas along the Parkway.

Group Camping is available at Linville Falls. Call 828-765-7818 for information. For additional Blue Ridge Parkway information, call (828) 298-0398 or visit www.nps.gov/blri on the Internet.

### REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations are established under the authority of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Their purpose is to protect you and your property, preserve the park's resources and facilities, and ensure that all visitors have a safe and enjoyable stay.

Designated Campsites: Camping is permitted only at designated sites. Sites are for use by a single family or parties not exceeding six persons. All tents must be on pads provided.

**Tents**: Only one tent is allowed per site unless there is adequate space on a single tent pad. Tents are not allowed in sites without tent pads.

**Side Mirrors:** When motor vehicles are not towing a seccond vehicle, auxiliary side mirrors should be detached.

Parking and Driving: Vehicles are to be parked on the pavement of an assigned site or in designated parking areas. Only two vehicles may be parked in each site (i.e., trailer and car, two cars, two motorcycles). The speed limit in the campground is 15 mph.

Bicycles, motorcycles, mopeds, all-terrain vehicles, and other forms of motorized vehicles are not permitted on hiking trails. With the exception of mopeds, all motorized vehicles operated on public roads must be properly registered and the operators licensed in accordance with state laws.

Skateboards and Roller

**Skates:** The use of skateboards and roller skates, and other coasting devices is not permitted in the park or campground.

Fires: Fires are permitted only in the fireplace provided. Gas grills and stoves are allowed. Extinguish all fires before leaving the campground or picnic area. Do not leave any fire unattended.

Wood Gathering: Wood gathering for use as fuel in park facilities is limited to dead material on the ground lying within 100 yards of campgrounds and picnic areas.

**Metal Detectors:** Metal detectors are prohibited.

Disturbance of Animal or Plant Life: Wildlife must not be disturbed in any way. Hunting and trapping animals are prohibited. Do not interfere with animals by feeding, touching or teasing them. Store food in a locked vehicle to avoid attracting bears and other wildlife.

Plant life is protected, too. Do not drive nails into trees or strip bark, leaves or branches from trees or shrubs. Use the lantern posts provided at each site. Do not hang lanterns from trees or loop them over branches or vegetation; these practices always damage and sometimes kill trees and vegetation.

#### Weapons:

Possession of firearms is prohibited on all Parkway lands.

Dogs, Cats and Pets: All dogs, cats and other pets must be on a leash no longer than six feet or under physical restraint at all times while in the park. Pet

owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.

Clean Camps: Campgrounds are operated on an honor cleaning system. Campers are responsible for maintaining clean camps at all times. Thoroughly clean campsites before leaving; remove camping equipment and dispose of trash in dumpsters and recycling bins. Trash bags are available at designated areas.

**Drainage and Refuse:** Campers must dispose of their waste water at public restrooms or dump stations only.

Use of Hydrants: Cleaning fish or washing dishes and clothes at water hydrants is prohibited. Trailer hoses may not be connected to water hydrants.

For Your Neighbor's Sake:
Respect quiet hours between
10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
Please keep in mind that continuous, loud generator or audio equipment noise, at any time of the day or evening, disturbs other campers.

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Help protect and preserve the Blue Ridge Parkway. Be alert for uncontrolled fire, safety hazards, accidents, and emergencies.

Please report such conditions by calling: 1-800-PARKWATCH

(1-800-727-5928)

For general parkway information, call: (828) 298-0398 or visit www.nps.gov/blri on the Internet